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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Junichi Aoyama, et al.

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 09792909-5680

SERIAL NO.: 10/646,508

GROUP ART UNIT: 2814

FILED: August 22, 2003

EXAMINER: D. Nguyen

FOR: "SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND WIRING FORMING METHOD IN SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE"

AMENDMENT "A"

Commissioner of Patents

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional claim fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | | | | | | | |
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| | (2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | (4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5) PRESENT EXTRA | (6) RATE | (7) ADDITIONAL FEE | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | | MINUS | -20 | | () X 9.00 () X 18.00 | | |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | | MINUS | 3 | | () X 42.00 () X 87.00 | | |
| Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for. | | | | () YES () NO | () \$140.00 () \$280.00 ONE TIME | | |
| | | | | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | \$ | |

* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5

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- ☐ Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend this time for response to the Office Action dated _____ for _____ month(s) so that the period for response is extended to _____. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$____ for the extension to American Express Account No. 378571697401002. PTO Form 2038 is attached for that purpose.
- ☐ The Commissioner is authorized and requested to charge the amount of \$____ to cover the additional claim fee to American Express Account No. 378571697401002. PTO Form 2038 is attached for that purpose.
- ☐ The Commissioner is authorized and requested to charge the amount of \$____ to cover the fee for the attached Terminal Disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. §1.321 to American Express Account No. 378571697401002. PTO Form 2038 is attached for that purpose.
- ☐ A check for \$ ____ for Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.312(b) is attached.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee and any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 19-3140. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
- When phoning re this application, please call 312/876-8000 - Ext. 12578.

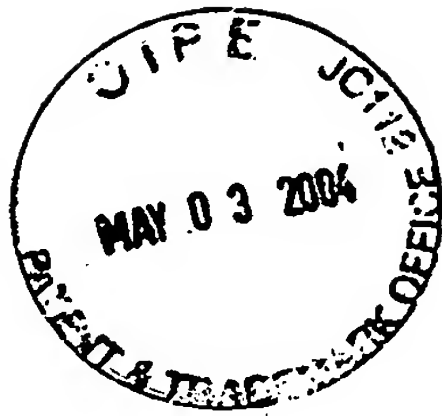
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S I R:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action of February 12, 2004.
Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented
below.

An Amendment to the Title appears on page 2 of this paper

An Amendment to the Drawings appears on page 3 of this paper

An Amendment to the Abstract of the Invention appears on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.